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17th November 2023 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

It's been a mostly wet and windy week to say the least but we have managed to get outside to play. We have talked to children- in assemblies- about being appropriately dressed for the weather: zipping coats up to prevent children getting wet when they play outside, putting their hoods up to prevent their hair getting wet and plodging rather than jumping, into puddles, in their wellies.

We have closed the field off to children as it is very wet and muddy at the minute. We hope that a few dry days might help it repair itself soon.

Many of our children have been speaking to me about what they have discussed and learned during Anti-bullying Week with many important messages- ultimately to be kind to one another. A message that isn't just for Anti Bullying week but the whole year for everyone.

Thank you to our School Council for arranging our Odd Socks Day to highlight diversity as well as decide on a non-uniform day for Children in Need and raised £50 so far (it is not too late to make your donation by adding it to School Fund on ParentPay).

Keep up the good work School Council!

Contacts/Addresses

We would ask parents to support our safeguarding procedures by keeping us informed if you have a change of phone number or address. Please complete a new data sheet (paper copy can be requested from the school office) or contact the school office and these changes can be made. Thank you

Attendance w/b 13th November 2023

	<u>Class</u>	<u>%</u>
First Place	Year 2	99%
Second Place	Year 4	96%
Third Place	Year 1	95.7%
Fourth Place	Year 6	91.8%
Fifth Place	Year 3	88.9%
Sixth Place	Year 5	88%
Seventh Place	Reception	83%
Eighth Place	Nursery	68.5%

Well done Year 2!

Our target is 96%

Top Table

Our Reception children were the worthy winners last week. They had their place on their VIP table with a few treats to say well done for being the best attending class last week!

Next week, it will be Year 2's turn!

Will we have any classes doing a double week on our Top Table?

Watch this space...

Dates for the rest of the term (final version)

Date	Event	Date	Event
Wednesday 22nd November	No OPAL club today	Wednesday 13th December	Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 29th November	Y3 visit to Hindu temple	Thursday 14th December	Christmas Fayre (more information to follow)
Friday 1st December	School closed for Professional Development Day	Friday 15th December	Nursery Stay and Play 8.30-9.30am (am children) 2-3pm (pm and 30 hours children)
Monday 4th December	Whole School Pantomime	Friday 15th December	Reception Stay and Play @2pm
Thursday 7th December	Choir singing at Tesco (pm session)	Monday 18th December	Christmas Party Day for all
Friday 8th December	EYFS Nativity @9.30am	Tuesday 19th December	Whole School Carol Concert 2.15pm (all welcome) This was previously advertised as 2.30pm
W/b Monday 11th December	last week for Autumn Enrichment Clubs	Tuesday 19th December (No After School Club)	School closes for Christmas holidays at 3.15pm
Monday 11th December	Y2 Christingle was previously advertised will be shared via Tapestry		
Tuesday 12th December	Y1/2 Nativity in the hall @9.30am	Wednesday 3 rd January 2024	School re-opens for Spring term

OPAL Club

Please note there will be no OPAL club on Wednesday 22nd November due to staff training at another local school. Gymnastics and After School Club will run as usual. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Winter Vouchers

The Local Authority are going to provide Winter Vouchers to support families, in receipt of free school meals, to support with household bills over the winter period. We are hoping that these will be sent to school so that we can share them with families early in December if not before.

GREAT CHRISTMAS JUMPER SWAP SHOP!

As we are constantly trying to reduce the cost of the school day during these tricky times, we are aware that Christmas is looming and is possibly the most expensive time of year for everyone! We are asking families to send in any Christmas Jumpers that they no longer need or no longer fit, so that other families can access them. We are holding Christmas jumper day the same day as Christmas lunch (13th December) so if any jumpers could come into school before this, we would be very grateful.

We are also continuing to offer small food hampers to help over the Christmas period and into January as it is a looong month! Please bear in mind we have the online form requesting food items that is available at all times on our website https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Uv_fRWSDc02_Oo-YvfENh3ZQyJwiXkNEgQaj-izrUnVUNVI4QzA3WEFITVRSSEFMODFCRDhaRFdBQy4u
Any questions or queries, please speak to Rachel C